

AMENDED AGENDA
OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2001
7:00 PM
OCONEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
415 SOUTH PINE STREET
WAIHALLA, SC

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Approval & Presentation of Resolutions 2001-04 Through 2001-09, "RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY FIVE YEARS, TEN YEARS, FIFTEEN YEARS, TWENTY YEARS, TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, THIRTY YEARS AND THIRTY-FIVE YEARS"
5. Consideration of Approval of ATAX Grant in the Amount of \$24,994 for the W. P. Anderson Gazebo Park Project – Mrs. Geri McSwain, ATAX Committee Chair
6. Update on Lila Doyle Expansion – Mr. W. H. Hudson, President, Oconee Memorial Hospital
7. Consideration of Request for Emergency Funding for Oconee AID
8. Consideration of Approval of Agreement Between SC Department of Transportation, SC Department of Commerce & Oconee County for Road Improvements to Serve Pine River Plastics – Mrs. Melissa Brown, Budget Grants Supervisor
9. Consideration of Bids for Disposal of Scrap Tires – Mr. Jack Hirst, Solid Waste Director & Ms. Marianne Dillard, Procurement Director
10. First Reading of Ordinance 2001-02, "OCONEE COUNTY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE"
11. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding Proposals for Financial Advisors in Relation to Bonds Issuance – Mr. Tim O. Hull, Chair, Budget & Finance Committee
12. Briefing Regarding Status of Boat Ramps Maintained by Oconee County – Mrs. Ann H. Hughes, Supervisor
13. Appointment of District III Representative on Parks & Recreation Commission
Mr. Harry R. Hamilton, Council Member, District III

14. Old Business
15. New Business
16. Public Comment Session (Not to exceed thirty minutes)
17. Adjourn

The Oconee County Council will have an administrative briefing thirty minutes prior to each regularly scheduled Council Meeting in the Office of the Council Clerk

The Oconee County Law Enforcement, Safety, Health, Welfare & Services Committee will meet Monday, February 5, 2001 at 3:00 PM for the purpose of discussing the Newry Sewer project and other issues as necessary.

Immediately following that meeting the Oconee County Purchasing, Contracting, Real Estate, Building & Grounds Committee will meet for the purpose of discussing the proposed lease regarding hangar construction at the airport.

The Oconee County Sewer Commission will meet Monday, February 5, 2001 at 6:00 PM at the Oconee County Sewer Plant, 623 Return Church Road, Seneca, SC, there may be some Council Members in attendance of this meeting.

The Oconee Budget & Finance Committee will meet Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC for the purpose of discussing a Bond Rating Consultant

The Oconee County Personnel & Intergovernmental Committee will meet Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 6:00 PM in Council Chamber, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC for the purpose of discussing additional personnel requests and other issues as necessary.

The Oconee County Council will meet with the Oconee Courthouse Committee and F. J. Clark Thursday, February 8, 2001 at 10:00 AM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC for the purpose of discussing the proposed courthouse plans.

The Transportation Committee will meet Monday, February 12, 2001 at 3:00 PM at the Oconee County Library, W.S. Broad Street, Walhalla, SC with members of the Oconee County Council, Oconee County Delegation & Oconee County Municipalities in attendance.

The Oconee County Council will meet in a work session Wednesday, February 14, 2001 at 1:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC for the purpose of a briefing by the Library Consultant.

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. Tim O. Hall, III, District I Mr. Kenneth E. Johns, Jr., District II
Mr. Harry R. Hamilton, District III Mr. Marion F. Lyles, District IV
Mr. H. Frank Ables, Jr., District V

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The Oconee County Council met Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members except Mr. Lyles present. Mr. Norton, County Attorney was also present.

Press:

Members of the press notified (by mail): Keowee Courier, Westminster News, Anderson Independent, WGOG Radio, WPEK Radio & Daily Journal.

Members of the press present: Dick Matgrum - WGOG Radio & Dave Williams - Anderson Independent.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor-Chair Hughes who welcomed those present.

Invocation:

Mr. Ables gave the invocation.

Minutes:

Mr. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hall, approved 4 - 0 that the minutes of the January 16, 2001 meeting be adopted as printed.

Donations to Our Daily Bread & Golden Corner Ministries:

Mrs. Hughes presented checks of \$250 each to Our Daily Bread & Golden Corner Ministries that was donated to the "Souper Bowl" by the county employees; this is the first time county employees have participated in the "Souper Bowl".

Resolutions 2001-04 - 2001-09:

Mrs. Hughes presented Resolutions of Appreciation to county employees with five, ten, fifteen, twenty, twenty-five, thirty and thirty five years of service with the county. There were approximately fifty employees with these years of service; this will be done on an annual basis during Mrs. Hughes tenure as County Supervisor-Chair.

ATAX Grant:

Upon request of Mrs. Gerri McSwain, Chair, ATAX Committee, Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johns, approved 4 – 0 that the attached ATAX Grant in the amount of \$24,995 for the W. P. Anderson Gazebo Park Project be adopted.

Update on Proposed Lila Doyle Facility:

Mr. W. H. Hudson, President, Oconee Memorial Hospital was scheduled to give Council an update on the proposed Lila Doyle Facility, however, he had a conflict and was unable to attend the meeting.

AID Request (Contingency):

Upon request of Ms. Donna Lusk, AID Agency, Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ables, approved 4 – 0 that \$8,500 be taken from contingency and given to Oconee AID for emergency assistance to citizens for paying hearing costs.

SC Departments of Transportation & Commerce and Oconee County Agreement:

Upon request of Mrs. Melissa Brown Grants/Budget Supervisor, Mr. Johns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hall, approved 4 – 0 that the attached agreement between the SC Department of Transportation, the SC Department of Commerce and Oconee County regarding the Pine River Plastics Corporation be adopted.

Scrap Tire Bid:

Upon recommendation of Mr. Jack Hirst, Solid Waste Director & Ms. Marianne Dillard, Procurement Director, Mr. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johns, approved 4 – 0 that the bid for disposal of waste tires be awarded to US Tire Recycling who was low bid at a total of \$22,750 for an estimated twenty-six loads per year.

Ordinance 2001-02:

Upon recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee, Council unanimously adopted Ordinance 2001-02, "OCONEE COUNTY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE" on first reading.

Financial Advisor:

Mr. Hall, Chair, Budget & Finance Committee informed those present that there are two firms interested in advising the Council on securing a better bond rating. It was the consensus of Council that staff members, the County Supervisor & Budget Chair meet with both groups and make a recommendation to Council of their findings.

Oconee County Boat Ramps:

Mr. Mark Dotson of the Corps of Engineers and Mrs. Hughes briefed Council on the status of the boat ramps Oconee County has agreed to maintain. There are eight boat ramps the county maintains: Timberlake, Seneca Creek, Barton Mill, South Union, Mountain Bay, Holder's Landing, Lakeshore Ramp & Port Bass. All of these are just boat ramps with the exception of Mountain Bay, which is a park in Foxwood Hills Subdivision. Mrs. Hughes asked the Roads & Transportation to look at the information to determine the decisions that need to be made regarding the county's maintenance of these ramps.

Parks & Recreation Appointee:

Mr. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ables, approved 4 - 0 that Mr. Greg Wales be reappointed to represent District III on the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Roads & Transportation Recommendations:

Mr. Ables, Chair, Roads & Transportation Committee informed Council the committee was making the following recommendations:

- (1) The Road Department stake Lecroy Park Roadway in the matter it is to be constructed.
- (2) The administration secure costs for triple coat (tar & gravel) and sealing of cracks with tar & gravel.
- (3) \$20,000 of the \$55,000 budgeted for leveling be used to repair existing problems on roadways, the patching on the Steve Nix Roadway be completed and no more patching be started on the contract with Hubbard Paving.
- (4) Lem Barton Roadway be overlaid.
- (5) There not be a paving contract let for the 2000-01 budget year, the funds be carried forward to the 2001-02 budget year which will enhance the bid and allow the county personnel to work with one year's funding.
- (6) Ordinance 82-14 & Ordinance 91-9 be reviewed for possible updating.

These recommendations were adopted unanimously by Council.

Personnel & Intergovernmental Recommendations:

Mr. Hamilton, Chair, Personnel & Intergovernmental Committee informed Council it was the recommendation of the committee that a Risk Manager at a Grade 15, starting salary \$25,633; a Deputy Fire Marshal/Special Administrative Assistant at a Grade 15, starting salary \$25,633 and an Information Technologist at a Grade 18, starting salary \$28,834 be included in the Supplemental Budget. Further the committee recommends that \$7,000 be taken from contingency for a Claims Coordinator at a grade 15, starting salary \$25,633 for the remainder of this fiscal year. Council adopted all these recommendations.

Mr. Hamilton further informed Council the request for a Code Enforcement Officer is pending further information.

Budget & Finance Recommendation:

Mr. Hall, Chair, Budget & Finance Committee informed Council it was the recommendation of the committee that department heads include in their budget requests funds for membership fees to civic clubs and organizations. This recommendation was adopted pending an opinion of the county attorney.

Purchase Committee:

Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, approved 4 - 0 that the Purchasing, Contracting, Real Estate, Building & Grounds Committee study the feasibility of a doctor's office being located on the Pine Street property.

Watershed Protection:

Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ables, approved 4 - 0 that the Planning Commission study the issue of watershed protection in Oconee County.

Blue Ridge Rural Water Company:

Mr. Norton, County Attorney informed Council that if they took no action regarding the request of Blue Ridge Rural Water Company to provide water for a subdivision in the Keowee area by February 25, 2001 it would automatically be approved. Mr. Norton did express concerns whether the company has put any funds aside for maintaining the system when it begins to depreciate. He further expressed hope that the subdivision regulations ordinance will address this problem. At the recommendation of Mr. Norton, Council took no action.

Opinion of County Engineer:

Mrs. Hughes gave Council an opinion of the County Engineer, which is subject to attorney-client privilege and asked Council to study it thoroughly.

Meeting with Stephens County:

Council scheduled a meeting with Stephens County, Friday, February 23, 2001 at 9:00 AM in Council Chambers to discuss watershed protection and other issues of interest.

Update of Courthouse Activities:

Mrs. Hughes informed Council the renovation of the basement of the courthouse for the Probate Judge's Offices is ninety percent complete. There are some minor electrical problems that need to be taken care of, we need to allow about four weeks for the cabinets and the security system will have to be bid. At this time it looks as if the renovation will be completed by late March or early April.

Lila Doyle Update:

Mrs. Hughes gave the following update on the proposed Lila Doyle facility on behalf of Mr. Hudson. Mrs. Hughes informed Council that Batson Architects are completing the drawings for the project which will include an additional forty-one beds, a new dining room, full dietary department and refurbish the entire building. The bid documents should be ready by late March or early April and the hospital staff is anticipating an eighteen-month project.

Medical Services Contract for L.E.C.:

Mr. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johns, approved 4 - 0 that the contract with Dr. E. H. Booker for medical services for inmates at the Law Enforcement Center be renewed.

SC Retirement (Contingency):

Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ables, approved 4 - 0 that \$850.03 be taken from contingency to pay the county's portion for an employee establishing non-member service.

Magistrate's Office (Contingency):

Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johns, approved 4 - 0 that \$445.00 be taken from contingency for Judge Gerrard to attend the National Judicial College in Nevada. Mrs. Gerrard won a scholarship to attend this college.

Executive Session:

Mr. Ables made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, approved 4 - 0 that Council go into executive session for the purpose of discussing legal and contractual matters.

Open Session:

(Solid Waste):

When open session resumed, Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ables, approved 4 - 0 that \$94,465 be taken from the Solid Waste Project for the purchase of a tract of land in the Tamassee area to be used for a convenience center, that a portion of this tract be used for a satellite site for the Road Department and the portion of the property not utilized by the county be resold.

Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johns, approved 4 - 0 that if any of the site is resold, the funds be used to replenish the Solid Waste Project Funds.

Open Session:

Mr. B. J. Littleton expressed favorable comments regarding the Roads & Transportation Committee recommendations as expressed by Mr. Ables. He further stated that he was sure the roadways would be paved according to specifications under Mrs. Hughes leadership. Mr. Littleton asked Council to consider a fifteen-percent reduction in taxes and to keep reassessment the same as last year.

Adjourn:

9:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Opal O. Green
Council Clerk

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
RESOLUTION 2001-04

TITLE: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE KNOWN AS "A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED IN SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF OCONEE COUNTY FOR FIVE YEARS"

WHEREAS, Kimberly McCall, Resources Assistant has been employed with Oconee County for five years as of January 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Oconee County Supervisor and Oconee County Council, for themselves and the citizens of our county desire to express to Kimberly McCall their heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the many hours of service and effort she has given, and hopefully will continue to give, to Oconee County and her citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in Council duly assembled, that the official Records and Minutes of the Oconee County Council contain the following:

"THE OCONEE COUNTY SUPERVISOR AND THE OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL WISH TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO MS. MCCALL FOR HER LOYALTY TO THE COUNTY AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT SHE CONTINUE TO SERVE THE CITIZENS IN A COURTEOUS AND THOUGHTFUL MANNER SO THAT AS A RESULT OF HER ALTRUISTIC SERVICE TO OCONEE COUNTY, IT WILL FOR MANY YEARS, BE A BETTER PLACE IN WHICH TO WORK AND LIVE."

"Again, we say thank you for your service to Oconee County and her citizens."

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED AND ADOPTED, on first and final reading this 6th day of February as evidenced by the hand of the Supervisor-Chair and attest of the Council Clerk.


Ann H. Hughes
Supervisor-Chair
Oconee County Council

Attest:


Opal O. Green
Council Clerk

(SEAL)

Gerri McSwain
Chairperson
335 Fernwood Drive
Salem, SC 29676

Jack Bishop
Treasurer
7 Rum Row
Salem, SC

Gerald Foster
116 Sam Brown Rd.
Seneca, SC 29678

Jack McLane
570 McLane Farm Rd.
Seneca, SC 29678



*Accommodations
Tax Advisory Committee*

Lilly Blue
Vice-Chairperson/Secretary
7812 Rochester Highway
Seneca, SC 29672

Andy Davis
624 State Park Rd.
Mountain Rest, SC 29664

Ansley Fraser
400 Rudder Ridge
Seneca, SC 29678

DATE: JAN 31, 2001

TO: Opal Green

RE: Recommended ATAX Fund Disbursements

The following individuals/groups have requested funds from the Oconee County Accommodation Tax Committee.

Grant Requests that were tabled:

1. _____ \$ _____
2. _____ \$ _____

Denied Grant Request were:

1. W.P. Anderson ^{Park} 20' Gazebo Project \$ 8,100
2. _____ \$ _____

Approved Grants were:

1. W.P. Anderson ^{40'} Park Gazebo Project \$ 24,995
2. _____ \$ _____
3. _____ \$ _____
4. _____ \$ _____

Please place the approved Grant Requests on the agenda for the Feb 6, 2001 (date) Oconee County Council meeting with the following individual(s) presenting them to the Council.

Gerri McSwain

Thank You.

The Oconee County ATAX Advisory Committee

Lilly Blue

**OCONEE COUNTY ATAX GRANT
APPLICATION FORM**

FOR TOURISM RELATED PROJECTS

I. APPLICANT

A. Name of Organization Park Renovation Project

B. Address c/o Carla Smith Johns, 242 Cedar Wood Ranch Rd., Westminster, SC 29693

II. FUNDS REQUESTED

A. ATAX funds requested \$ 24,995.00

B. Itemized budget for ATAX funds requested (attach on separate sheet)

C. Funds furnished by your organization \$ n/a

Matching grant \$ _____ Source _____

Other Funding \$ _____ Source _____

III. NARRATIVE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A. Project Title W.P. Anderson Park Gazebo Project

B. Description of project see attached

C. Who will benefit from this project? see attached

IV. APPROXIMATE DATES OF PROJECT

Beginning as funds are available Ending _____

V. APPLICANT CATEGORY

Government Entity: _____

Non-profit Organization: Incorporation date 6/19/00

Fleemosynary Organization under IRS Code: IRS # 50103 applied 08/23/00

Date of Determination Letter _____

VI. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

How will the project influence tourism in Oconee County? see attached

VII. AUDIT

Does your organization perform an independent audit? Yes No _____

Name of the Auditor Padgett Business Services

I have read the guidelines for the Oconee County Accommodations Grant Request and do hereby agree to comply with all rules and requirements. I understand failure to comply may result in a loss of funding for the project.

A. Contact Name Carla Smith Johns

Title Director

Signature Carla Smith Johns Date 1/31/01

Phone Number (s) (864)847-0154

B. Alternate Contact Jackie Lee Foster

Title Co-Director

Signature _____ Date 1/31/01

Phone Number (s) (864)847-6442

I have read the guidelines for the Oconee County Accommodations Grant Request and do hereby agree to comply with all rules and requirements. I understand failure to comply may result in a loss of funding for the project.

A. Contact Name Carla Smith Johns

Title Director

Signature Carla Smith Johns Date 1/31/01

Phone Number (s) (864)647-0154

B. Alternate Contact Jackie Lee Foster

Title Co-Director

Signature Jackie L. Foster Date 1/31/01

Phone Number (s) (864)647-6447

ATAX Grant Processing Report
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Project Name PARK RENOVATION PROJECT

Project Amount \$ ~~33,700~~ to ~~90,000~~ 24,495.00

Received by Barb M. Swain Date Jan 16, 2001

Date presented at meeting Jan 31, 2001

Vote: For 5 Against 0

Recommendations/Alterations _____

ATAX Liason Barb M. Swain

Returned to organization (date) 1/31/01

Resubmitted to ATAX 2/1/01 Vote: For 5 Against 0

Corrections/deletions made Deleted \$3,100.00 by agency

Comments Per the grant request on one page - changed amt requested

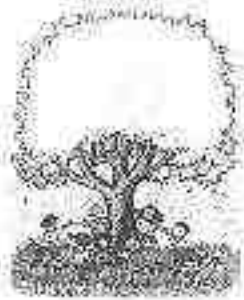
Date presented to County Council 2/16/01 Presenter Barb M. Swain

Amount approved \$ _____ (or) Rejected \$ _____

Date Funds Disbursed _____ Interim/ Final Report Due _____

Interim Reports Presented to Committee _____

Final Report Received _____ Funds returned (if any) _____



Park Renovation Project

242 Cedar Wood Ranch Road

Westminster, SC 29693 864-647-0154

Carla Smith Johns

Jackie Lee Foster



W.P. ANDERSON PARK RENOVATION PROJECT

BUDGET:

II. FUNDS REQUESTED

B. Itemized Budget

Fencing & Gates	\$ 9,000.00
Playground Equipment	\$ 30,000.00
Picnic Shelters	\$ 34,000.00
Picnic Tables, Trash Containers, Grills, Benches, etc.	\$ 7,000.00
Bathroom Reconstruction	\$ 8,000.00
Landscape Design & Installation	\$ 4,000.00
Grading	\$ 1,000.00
Paving	\$ 11,000.00
Park Sign	\$ 900.00

TOTAL

\$ 113,000.00

Advisory Board:

Carla Smith Johns

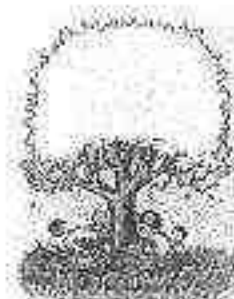
Jackie Lee Foster

Sammy W. Dickson

Cecil T. Sandfer

Rolann Lee

Danny Durican



III. NARRATIVE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A. Project Title: Park Renovation Project- Construction of Picnic Shelters

B. Description of Project:

Our complete project involves the total renovation of W. P. Anderson Park in Westminster. We are requesting funding for the construction of two picnic shelters.

The W. P. Anderson Park was built in 1977 and until we began work there, was in a state of total neglect. The wooden playground equipment is rotten and splintered, the bathrooms had been vandalized and the Park is basically unusable and not very safe. The Park property itself is an impressive two-acre site including a wooded area with lots of very old and beautiful trees. It has so much potential and we feel fortunate to have such a piece of property to build our Park on.

Our plan includes a 40 foot gazebo shaped picnic shelter equipped with a large grill, power and water. This area will be geared more toward adult gatherings and will have separate parking. New picnic tables, benches, trash containers, attractive lamp post lighting, adult swings and extensive landscaping are all part of our plan. The addition of signs installed on the main roads, directing tourists to this new picnic area, will bring in those passing through our town. Others will come from out-of-state and out-of-town as class reunions and family reunions are planned at this new picnic shelter and facilities. With the addition of this large picnic shelter, our community will have the opportunity and location with which to plan and organize different types of festivals and events.

As an added asset to the shelter, we will also have new playground equipment with separate play areas for 2-4 year olds and 5-12 year-olds. It includes paved parking and paved pathways throughout the Park between the different areas to allow for strollers and wheelchairs, making the Park handicap accessible and meeting all codes. The bathrooms will be totally renovated including a new roof, new sewer lines, new bathroom fixtures, etc.



C. Who will benefit from this project?

Our entire community will benefit from this project. The picnic structures will be used regularly by those all over the county for all types of gatherings. There has been an interest expressed to our group to use the large shelter for class reunions and family reunions, bringing in those from out of town and out of state, back to our area. Travelers coming through the area will enjoy the beautiful Park, letting their children play on the new playground equipment while they relax under the trees.

VI. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

How will the project influence tourism in Oconee County?

We will have visitors from several counties away attending birthday parties and out of state visitors attending class reunions and family reunions. We plan to pursue ideas of cultural events such as "Music in the Park" or "Art in the Park" which we have watched neighboring towns have much success with. These events will bring in visitors from other communities.

As our project nears completion, we will ask the Westminster Chamber of Commerce to feature the Park and its amenities in their tourism guide, as well as on their web site.

Park Renovation Project
A-Tax Grant Application



Progress:

Last January, the SC Forestry Service recommended that we cut the diseased trees at the Park in order to save the others. The Commission of Public Works cut the trees for us and the Clemson University Forestry Club cut up the wood and hauled it off. The Park Renovation Project removed the limbs and debris. A local businessman, Greg Sluder, ground the stumps at no charge to the project. The Girl Scouts of Oconee adopted a flower bed. The girls provided the plants and labor. We had a very attractive fence installed around the perimeter of the Park in October.

The plumbing lines to the bathroom have been completely reworked and we are in the process of remodeling the bathrooms.

The Commission of Public Works have installed several street lights around the perimeter of the Park to help improve night-time visibility.

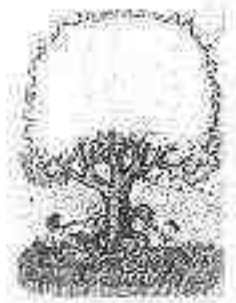
With just these few improvements, traffic at the Park has increased dramatically. During our numerous meetings at the Park with playground equipment reps, local builders, landscape personnel, etc., we never saw mothers there with their children. We never saw anyone enjoying lunch at the picnic tables. Since having the fence installed, almost every time we have met someone at the Park, there have been children there playing, there have been mothers there with young children romping through the trees. We can't wait for everyone to be able to enjoy the completed project - a real Park.

In the Spring we will install new playground equipment as well as picnic tables and grills, park benches, adult swings, trash containers, lighting and extensive landscaping.

Fundraising:

We began fundraising in January of 2000 with a letter campaign to area businesses and individuals. In May, we sponsored a softball tournament/community cookout in Westminster and raised close to \$ 2,000.00. We applied for and were awarded a PARD Grant through the State in the amount of \$ 6,800.00. We were also awarded an Environmental Grant through Wal-Mart in the amount of \$ 3,000.00. First Citizens Bank in Westminster came through for us with a check in the amount of \$ 5,000.00. In September, we had a booth in the SC Apple Festival selling hot dogs and raffle tickets, raising \$ 2,000.00. This fundraising, along with the many checks that have been mailed in, have brought our fundraising efforts close to \$ 25,000.00.

Park Renovation Project
A-Tax Grant Application



Bid attachments:

Swing-O-Things

Construction Services

Harold Knight Builders

Junior Porter

Swing-O-Things

10060 Long Creek Highway

Westminster, SC 29693

Bid for

Park Renovation Project

Carla Johns

242 Cedar Wood Ranch Road

Westminster, SC 29693

Property address:

W.P. Anderson Park

East North Avenue

Westminster, SC 29693

**These prices are good through February 2001.

40 foot gazebo picnic shelter

\$ 13,895 material

\$ 1,500 concrete

\$ 9,600 labor

\$24,995 total

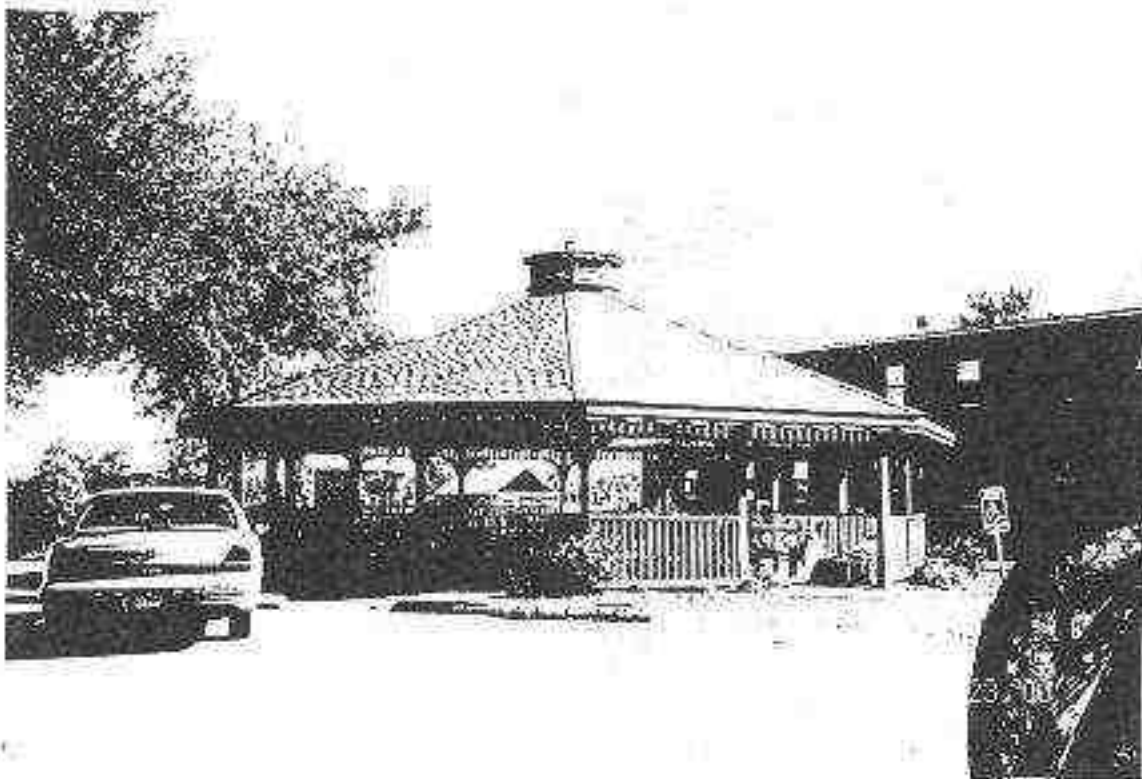
20 foot gazebo picnic shelter

\$ 4,200 material

\$ 500 concrete

\$ 3,400 labor

\$8,100 total



Located at Lila Doyle in Seneca
Constructed by Swing-O-Things

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

John Dalen
 100 Bay Dr., Fair Play, SC 29643
 (864) 972-9838

ESTIMATE for Carla Johns

242 Cedar Wood Ranch Rd.
 Westminster, SC 29693
 (864) 647-0154

<i>DESCRIPTIONS OF PROJECTS</i>	<i>LABOR and MATERIAL</i>
✓ Rebuild roof, including rafters and plywood sheeting, shingles, fascia and soffits, on 20' x 40' block wall bathroom. Replace steel entry doors and jambs on 2 bathrooms. Provide toilet stalls and commodes for handicap access. Check and repair plumbing as needed. Paint interior and exterior block walls.	\$10,200
We will check main drain line with a camera to see if repair or replacement is needed. You will need to have a contingency amount available, to cover unforeseen expenses, such as the drain line or other major plumbing problems. A minimum of \$ 5,000 should be held in reserve in the event such problems arise. This amount will be deducted from the final bill if no additional work is required.	\$ 5,000
✓ Build 12' diameter gazebo in children's area, on concrete slab. Install electric service line to gazebo, for lighting, plugs.	\$ 15,000
✓ Build 40' diameter gazebo in clearing adjacent to restrooms. Concrete slab, electric service line for lighting and plugs.	\$ 35,000
✓ Create bordered path between gazebos and existing covered picnic area.	\$ 1500
See enclosed photo of proposed design of gazebos.	
TOTAL <u>\$66,700</u>	

Harold Knight Builders

2997 West-Oak Highway

Westminster, SC 29693

Quote for:

Park Renovation Project
c/o Carla Johns
242 Cedar Wood Ranch Road
Westminster, SC 29693

Property located:

W.P. Anderson Park
East North Avenue
Westminster, SC 29693

40 foot gazebo structure
to include site preparation and poured
cement slab, two accesses and built-in
benches along sides

\$ 35,000.00

20 foot gazebo structure
to include site preparation and poured
cement slab

\$ 17,000.00

**Junior Porter
Davis Mill Road
Seneca SC 29678
864-647-5870**

Bid for picnic shelters for Park Renovation Project - Westminster SC

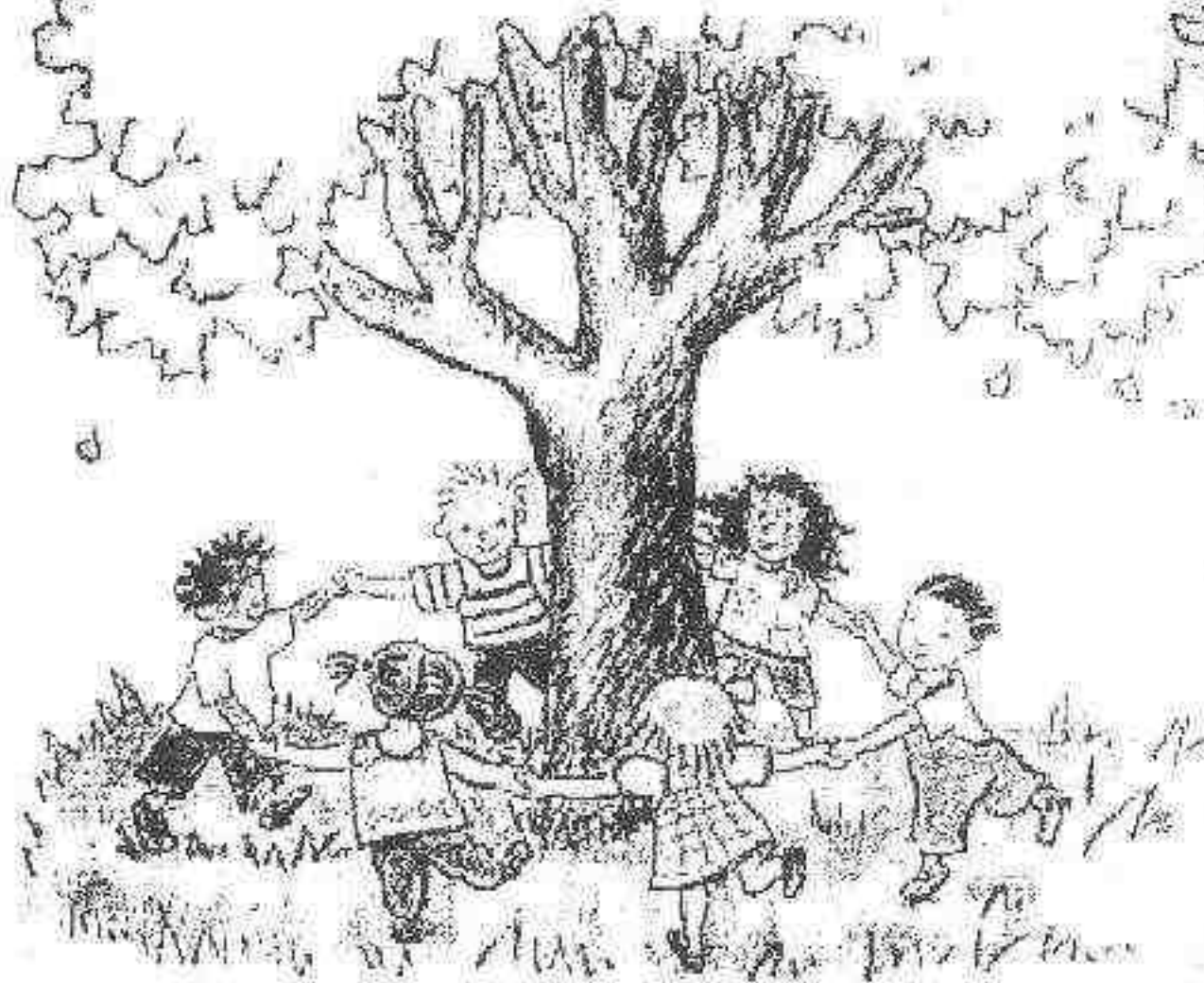
20Ft Gazebo Picnic Shelter \$16,500.00

40Ft. Gazebo Picnic Shelter \$31,500.00

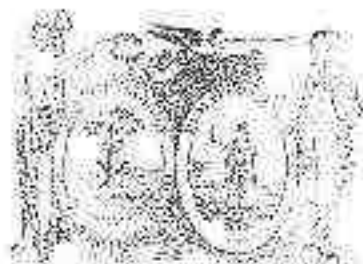
*Additional grading may be required which will increase quote.

Park Renovation
Project, Inc.

Westminster, SC



The State of South Carolina



Office of Secretary of State Jim Miles **Certificate of Incorporation, Nonprofit Corporation**

I, Jim Miles, Secretary of State of South Carolina Hereby certify that:

PARK RENOVATION PROJECT,

a nonprofit corporation duly organized under the laws of the state of South Carolina on June 19th, 2000, and having a perpetual duration unless otherwise indicated below, has as of the date hereof filed a Declaration and Petition for Incorporation of a nonprofit corporation for Religious, Educational, Social, Fraternal, Charitable or other eleemosynary purpose.

Now, therefore, I Jim Miles, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested by Chapter 31, Title 33, Code of 1976 and Acts amendatory thereto, do hereby declare the organization to be a body politic and corporate, with all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities, and subject to all the limitations and liabilities, conferred by Chapter 31, Title 33, Code of 1976 and Acts amendatory thereto.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina this 22nd day of June, 2000.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Miles".

Jim Miles, Secretary of State

ATT: Carla Johns

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM
PARK AND RECREATION DEVELOPMENT FUND
PROJECT AGREEMENT

PROJECT NUMBER: 2000115
PROJECT NAME: Anderson Park Renovations
PROJECT SPONSOR: City of Westminster
PERIOD COVERED BY THIS AGREEMENT: May 15, 2000 to May 15, 2007

PROJECT SCOPE (Describe in detail in the project file, but in summarized as follows):
Renovations to Anderson Park to include new playground equipment, picnic facilities, walking trails and upgraded restroom facilities. Other improvements as funds allow.

BILLING PERIODS

The project sponsor must submit billing for at least the amount indicated within the designated period(s):

\$8,500.00 By May 31, 2002

PROJECT COST

State Share	=	\$6,800.00
Local Share		\$1,700.00
Total Cost		\$8,500.00

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Playground equipment - means "ANY" type
playground equipment (not just for 2-4 yr olds)

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Newspaper Coverage

~ Community backs upgrade of local recreation area ~
Anderson Park to get facelift?

Anderson Park, located off East North Avenue, has seen good times and bad times. There have been periods when the park has flourished with activity and the laughter of children. But recently it has become a regular stop on the Westminster Police Department's patrol route to clear out individuals who have taken to hanging around the park, drinking and socializing.

It is not currently an inviting place where people would take their children for recreation. But there is a movement to revitalize the park that lays right in the middle of the City. It is being spearheaded by private citizens.

Local residents would utilize the area more if, according to several members of the neighborhood, if they felt secure.

That just may happen under the current plan to revitalize the large tract of land. Proponents of the project are hoping for new playground equipment, one area for younger children, another for older children. There are those who would like to see a walking trail installed, for the use of both seniors and those who jog regularly. More sheltered picnic areas, and a clean, wholesome family environment.

Of course, everyone involved in the project acknowledges that changes of this magnitude will take considerable funding.

That funding, it is hoped, will be forthcoming from state and county sources. Right now, everyone involved is working on putting together the final package that will be used to "sell the concept" both to the City Council, and to those who represent the grants being sought.

One day last week teacher, Rolann Lee, had her students at the park for a picnic lunch. The children had plenty of space to run. They couldn't wait to climb on the wooden play set that has seen better days.

Maybe better days are coming.



A PICNIC IN THE PARK - A class from Westminster Elementary enjoy a picnic lunch at Anderson Park. With the changes being discussed, the park should become a centerpiece for the community.

Viewpoint

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

Lisa Spowers Strachan

Proposal for Anderson Park Should Be Promoted

What would have taken a city employee at least 150 hours to accomplish, has been gift wrapped and handed to the Westminster City Council. The polished, professional proposal for the rebirth of Anderson Park is not only thoughtfully and thoroughly prepared, it is the embodiment of what Westminster has been hungering for.

It would be a centerpiece for a residential community that would not only give new meaning to "family friendly," but it has been designed with the concept of being, at least in part, self-supporting.

Carla Johns and Jackie Foster have spent two months on this project. Their determination to see it come to fruition is admirable - but they cannot, and should not be expected to do it by themselves.

We agree that a certain percentage of the monies will have to be raised through private and corporate donations. A larger amount

through grants.

However, any project of this magnitude, requires the financial participation of the City. After all, the deed which gives the property in question to the city, requires that they maintain it as a park.

If, for instance, private contributions, and grants cover 70 percent of the \$130,579, which is the anticipated cost for Phases I and II, that would leave a balance of just over \$39,000.

Divide that by the estimated 3,800 residents who call Westminster home, and who pay taxes to the city and you arrive at a cost, per resident of \$10.31.

We fully understand that money is tight in city government, but at the same time we urge strongly that the City pledge a set amount for the park renovations.

If we put our money on the line, private individuals and corporations are much more likely to give generously.



How reward part In Rec

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'blue as indigo', 'idle', 'strong as a bear', 'as a cock', 'fat as a bear', 'as honey', 'poor as a snake', 'stalk', 'bald as a peeled onion', 'vinegar', 'could he like a nut', 'whether you were 'just all-in and out', or 'crooked as a dog's legs', 'so bow-legged you could a hog in a ditch', 'red headed', 'erwood', 'so long necked you'd swallow three times before you fetch', 'would come up and belly as a stove', 'hot as a pistol', 'cold as iron', 'frosty dish rag', 'stiff as a board', 'a skunk', 'poison as a rattle', 'gentle as a lamb', 'so contra float upstream if you drown'

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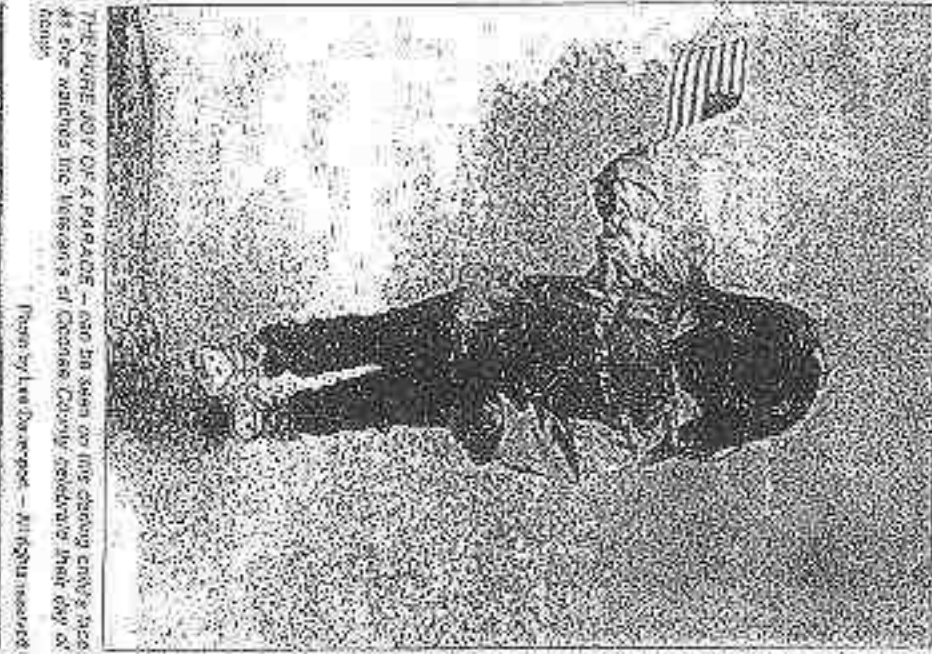
Christmas gets an early start

Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post #8273 and the Ladies Auxiliary learned together to bring many upstairs residents a warmer winter. Together the two organizations collected and donated approximately 70 winter coats to SEARLE - Surlbell Housing Advancement Resources, Inc.

This special community action agency serves residents of Greenville, Oconee, Pickens and Anderson counties. Under the direction of Dr. Willie H. Grayson, SEARLE oversees the nationally recognized Head Start program, job training, energy assistance and countless services for the lower income citizens of our community.

The contribution of winter coats was part of the groups' "Make A Difference Day" activities. After November 24, the items will be directly distributed to Christmas, China. For more information on donating to these projects, please call SHARPE at 709-8700.

Hodges affirms county tent to



THE PURE JOY OF A PARADISE - can be seen on the young child's face as she watches the Veterans of American County celebrate their day of honor.

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~ November City Council Meeting ~ Zoning, Parks and Y2K Covered

Article by Duke

Special Correspondent
Curt Smith, Duke and Jackie Lee Foster presented to the Westminster City Council with a comprehensive plan for revising the Westminster Code, dividing the work into three stages and offering budget estimates for Phase I and II.

Phase I would include fence and gates, playground equipment, tables, benches, trash enclosures, grills, a new phone structure and business repairs, landscape design, pathways, grading, signs and legal fees for a total estimate of \$76,254.

Phase II includes a new phone structure, tables, benches, trash enclosures, grills and paving for a cost of \$54,324.

The City Council endorsed the project and gave the staffs to continue the work in their wholehearted support. They oversee the children's and adolescent ages 5-17 with the separate, with each section utilizing modern playground equipment that would not need yearly maintenance. Multiple Playground Equipment is assigned to the design of the project.

The codes will proceed with funding using letters of solicitation, called for bids and the bid to get the project under way. PARC files and Greenville Department and other projects will be sought.

In other actions, the Council voted to spend \$5,205 on replacing and repairing windows in City Hall and the Fire Department, Recreation Club and at new and the lowest bid.

Frankie Winsett expressed before the Council to protect the recovery of property owned by Howard Knight on East Main Street from R25 to highway construction, saying that the neighborhood was quiet, older folks lived there, and most wanted to live there till they died. She brought letters from Gladys Nixon and Joe Pich regarding the case so-called. Others were present, but did not make public comment.

A four percent City sales tax was approved for all City employees. Town Administrator Bill Thibault asked for and received permission to buy approximately \$1,000 in one-year fire supplies, emergency heating coils,

rent and communication equipment. Voting only for Y2K, he said, "I'm a still for honest."

January 3 was designated an official city holiday so that any problems arising from computer malfunctions might be addressed. Communication centers will be set up in three different locations so that people can walk to them for emergency help if needed.

John Hallinger, administrator, Finance, Building and zoning that suggested that construction of trash roll-in the city be considered in the revenues would increase. After some discussion it was agreed to begin budget preparation for 2000 in one January meeting which will be held at the regular time. The December meeting was set for December 14, 7:45 pm. Boyd Stipes made the motion to begin study of the budget so that "hundreds of city employees could be brought up to a livable level."

A group of Boy Scouts and their leaders asked for and received permission to improve the building owned by the city that they are using as their headquarters.

Street Department employee and family lose everything in house fire

Manufacturing will be a struggle this year for Alton Ranch and his family, but there is one thing that will come easily - the fuel.



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Mayor announces committee assignments for coming year

By Marie Duke
Special Correspondent
Recently elected City Councilman Ted Moore

Westminster Administration Finance Meeting and Direct Committee for 2000 at the regular City Council meeting, Tuesday, January 18.

Five appointments were made by Mayor Vera Duke for the coming year, with Julia Ballinger heading the Street Department and Darryl Duncan receiving the Association assignment in addition to his Procurement/Factor and Building Oversight jobs.

Other committee assignments included the Mayor, Doyle Smith, Eric Lewis Burton, Paton/Animal Control, and Ralph Chock, receiving assignments.

Also, Duke appeared before the Council to present the current list of low jury duty that has been held pending of from work and losing time or the job to meet the subpoena early to have the trial canceled.

Attorney Steve Springs attempted to explain the court system and the responsibilities of lawyers to their clients which often times leads to a dismissal of charges and no need for the jury.

Southman Darryl Duncan

city limits under those circumstances would have police and fire protection, as well as water lines, sewer lines, and other city limits," she said.

The sign and storage container ordinances will await the public hearing to be held by the Planning Commission. To meet the fine schedule it was determined that the public hearing and the council would have to meet by February 13.

The Fire Department chief sent a lengthy report from Chief Davis advising the council of its many activities, joining activities for four new volunteers and testing equipment.

Chief Davis reported 51 fire hydrants out of service in the City, and advised that a regular maintenance program for the hydrants was being stopped. Duke also asked for \$1500 to buy new computer hardware; the old computer would not run the software past 1999.

Jane McGill, Auditor reported that the City had an impressive financial situation with a checking account of \$823,976, and invested secure holdings of \$847,000. The stored fund 35,406 of the revenue came from property

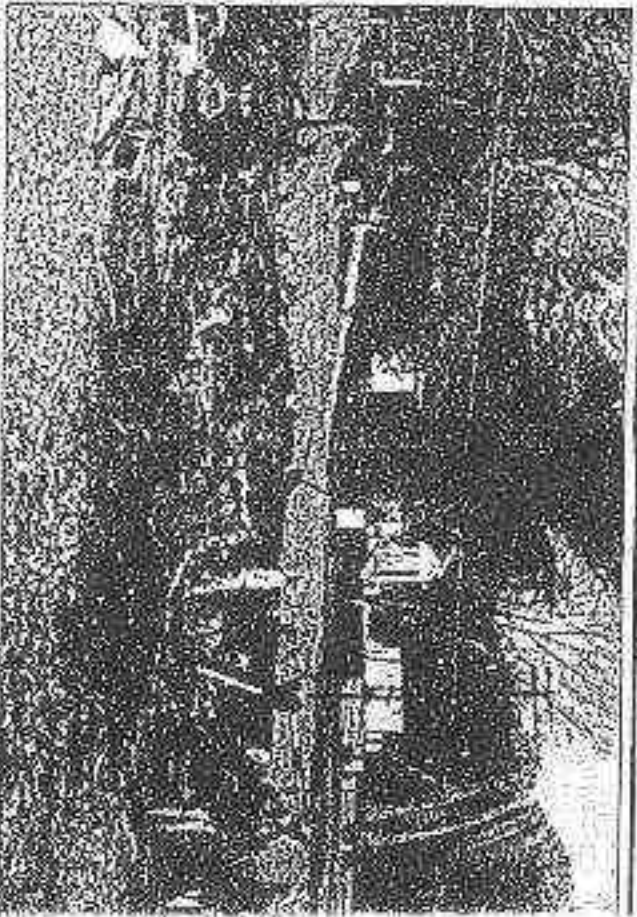
taxes, and \$151,000 was received from the government services.

Lawyers and permit amounts to \$204,000 and \$173,000 in charges for services. The total revenue was \$1,206 million less total expense for 1999 was \$1.38 million, making a deficit of \$176,000. Current money was allocated in one year spent in the next.

The Commission of Public Works showed a profit of \$247,000, water electricity and sewer being the primary sources of revenue.

The City will continue with the Application Council of Guy's comments to study compensation rates at a fee of \$2300. The City will pay half the cost.

City administrator, Bill Shelton, noted that it was difficult to file positions under the present pay schedule. The City will enter into a new contract with Bell South for a new phone system, the contract on the old system has expired. The cost was \$1042, half of which will be paid by CPW. The new hardware will be bought at this time.



WORK BEGINS - Members of the Forestry Club prepare to cut and ring the trees that have matured at Duke Forest to make way for a new generation of saplings and to increase timber yield.

More democrats to run

Three House Long Term Finance Committee members will be running for the House in November to represent their constituents in the coming year.

The three are Roben Little of the Piedmont Community, who will run for supervisor, Paul Duke of Westminster will run for the County Council District 2 seat, and Jim Sullivan will run for the Supervisor of Wildlife.

Little, a native of neighboring Greenville County, GA, is raised from

great many relatives have settled in the area in the 1910s. He said his extensive and when funding for the program was cut by the current administration.

"I want to bring a more proactive role of leadership in the supervisor's office," Little said to announce his candidacy.

He said his experience in supervisor would allow him to "set the agenda" and bring in more funding for the operations of the county."

build a "win-win" relationship between the county and our residents."

He said his wife Rebecca, residing in 115 N. Catherine St., Westminster, will be seeking the party endorsement at the County Democratic Convention on Monday, March 20.

"I have the time and resources to raise money and support the party as well as to be a good citizen," he said. He also said that if he is elected, he will be a good citizen.

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Funds needed to renovate Westminister City Park

By CATHERINE
HUNTER WISE
Staff Writer

"We are just beginning to raise funds," said Carla Johns, regarding the proposed renovations for Westminister City park. Ms. Johns and Jackie Foster are two concerned moms who have formed the "Park Renovation Committee." They have applied for a grant and begun sending letters to area businesses in an effort to raise the estimated \$130,379.00 Need to complete the first 2 phases of renovation.

The Westminister City Council has endorsed the project whole heartedly, saying they are willing to do whatever they can to help. Unfortunately there are no funds currently in the city budget for the project. According to Ms. Johns, council member Darryl Duncan has been very helpful in acquiring information or referring the committee to sources of information. Mr. Duncan said that, although the City Council is very much behind the project, the City can't promise any par-

ticipation until the final budget is approved.

Renovation plans for the park include in Phase I, fencing, playground equipment, tables, benches, trash cans, grills, new picnic structure, bathroom repairs, landscape design, grading, walkways and of course a new sign. Phase I would be in the area of the existing park and playground located along Earl Holcombe Dr. Phase II would be the area of the empty parking lot fronting E. North Avenue. A Phase III is also proposed for land donated by Mr. Howard E. Ballenger, Jr. and would include walking trails.

According to the renovation committee, the park has become an eyesore and a hangout for people drinking. However, a new ordinance just passed, which prevents alcohol consumption in the park, has made it possible for Police Chief Bill Strachan to address the problem of people using the park for drinking. Now the problem is making the park usable for the children of Westminister. Apparently the existing equipment is at least 20

years old. The current equipment consists of a wooden frame tire swing, a platform around a tree and a slide. The bathrooms have been so vandalized as to be unusable. Marshall Johnson, Assistant Recreation Manager for the State Department of Parks Recreation and Tourism reported that the current equipment was not up to code.

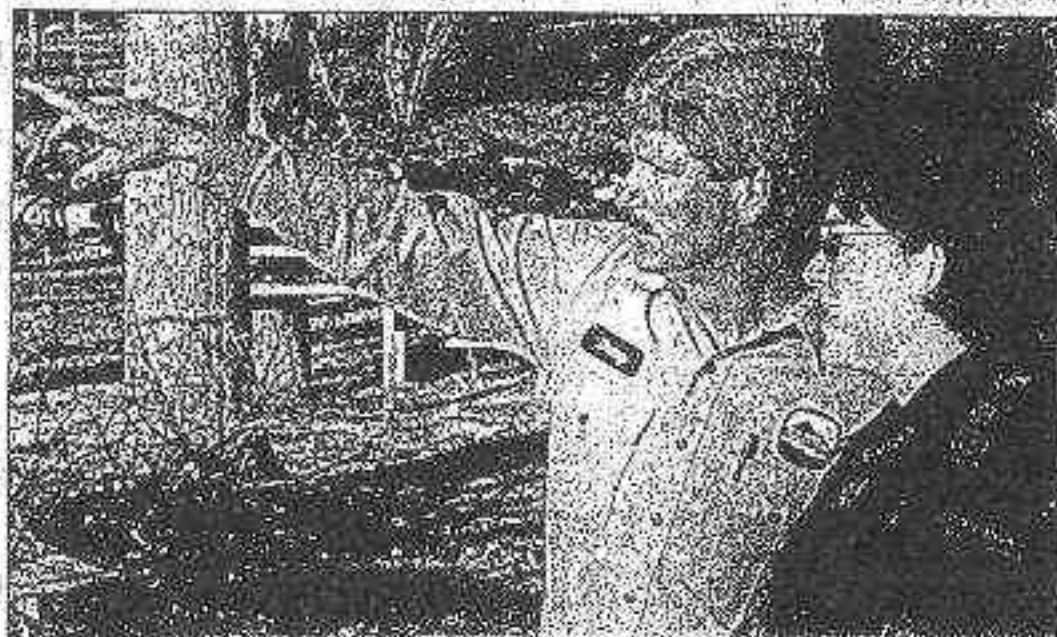
Though the necessary funds have not yet been raised, work has already begun on the park, thanks to the Commission of Public Works and the Clemson University Forestry Club. Rex Smith of the Commission of Public Works in Westminister arranged to cut down some diseased trees which Need to be removed. The Forestry Club spent 3 days cutting up and removing the trees and debris.

Several people in the community have written and called to express their support for the project. Concerned citizens can call 647-3200 or send donations to Park Renovation Fund, P.O. Box 399, Westminister, SC 29693.

New life for old park



Los Zozos/Chief photographer
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Russell Drazell, above, a forestry student at Clemson University, cuts up a tree Thursday afternoon at William P. Anderson Park in Westminster. Drazell and other students from the Society of American Foresters/Clemson Forestry Club volunteer their time Thursday to clean up the downed trees, joining an effort led by Carla Johns and Mike Foster to refurbish the forgotten park. Johns talks with Westminster Councilman Danny Duncan.



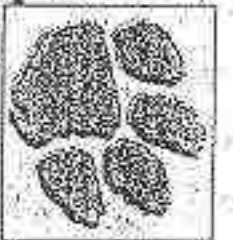
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Blazer talks for area students.
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Lending a hand Westminster businessman pitches in to help improve city park

By GREG OLIVELL

Associate Editor

WESTMINSTER - Improving the Westminster City Park is important to Greg Studer.

Studer, who lives in Westminster and owns a stump removal business in the city, said he recently read about the proposed renovations for the park and wanted to help.

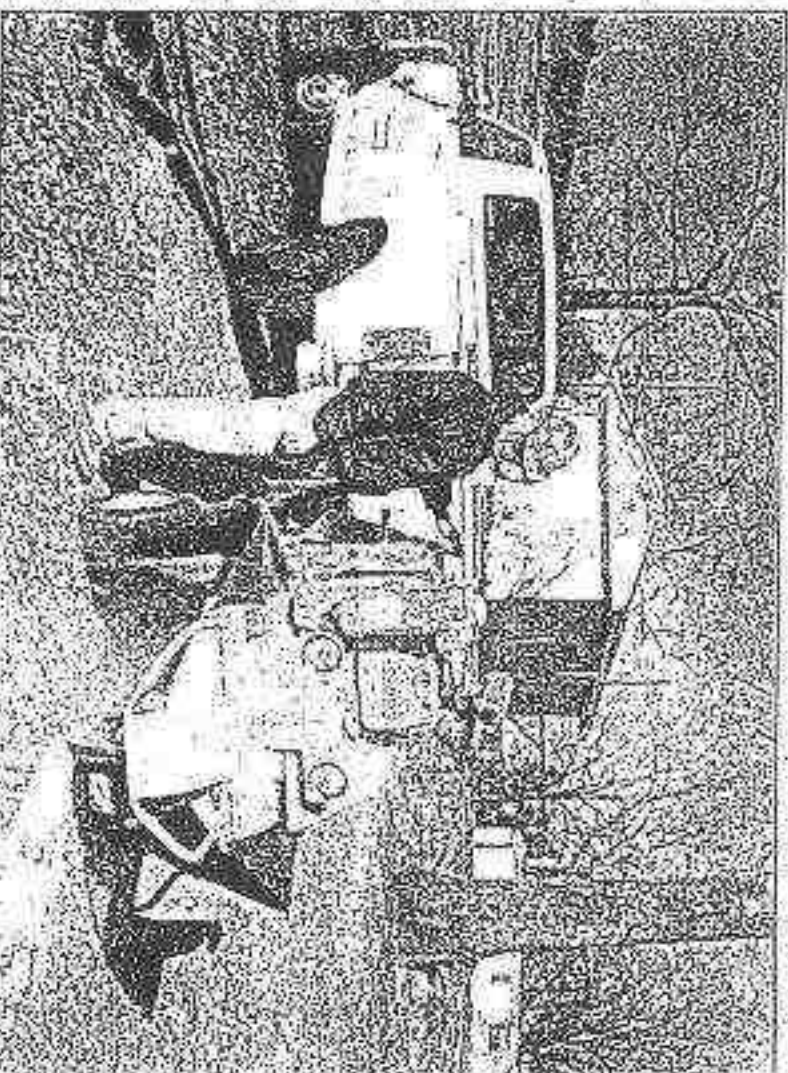
As a result, he was at the site early Thursday morning to remove tree stumps - a process he said would take about four hours in some spots.

"I can remove the stumps four to five inches below the ground level so that when grass grows over it, you won't know it's there," Studer said.

Studer also pointed out the park has logs and other pieces he can reduce in size to make them easier to handle.

The 1981 Seneca High School graduate, who has two small children, said he wants to see the park become a place where families can gather.

"I think it will be a good thing when it gets going," said Studer. "You've got the library next door and people shelve for families." Eliminating old stumps, Studer said, will also improve the life-



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Greg Studer, a Westminster resident, donates his time and stump removal equipment to help clean up Park. Photo by Greg Olivell, Associate Editor of Journal.

PARK

part of the other trees in the park.

"You can tell where the termites and beetles have been and if we can do away with those (stumps), maybe they won't be able to get to the live trees," he said.

Efforts to beautify the park are being made through the Park Renovation Committee. Two of its members, Carla Johns and Jackie Foster, have applied for a grant and are sending letters to area businesses in an effort to raise more than \$130,000 to complete the first two phases of renovations.

Phase I park renovation plans include fencing, playground equipment, tables, benches,

trash cans, grills, new picnic structure, bathroom repairs, landscape design, grading, walkways and a new sign.

Phase II would consist of improvements to the area of the empty parking lot formerly East North Avenue.

Phase III is also proposed for land donated by Mr. Howard E. Balleger, Jr. and would include walking trails.

The renovation committee has pointed out the park has become an eyesore and a hangout for drinking over the years. Recently, a new ordinance prohibiting alcohol consumption was passed to alleviate that problem.

However, the committee said

the existing park has equipment that is at least 20 years old. The current equipment consists of a wooden frame tire swing, a flat form around a tree and a slide. The bathtubs have been vandalized so often they are unusable.

Johns said fund-raising efforts are starting to show some progress.

"What we are concentrating on now and the next few months is securing grants and raising some funds," she said.

In addition, Johns said an

advisory board meeting will be held within the next three weeks to further address the fund-raising issue. The remainder of the board, along with Johns and Foster, is Sam Dixon of Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative, Cecil Sandifer, and Ronald Lee.

Anyone desiring to provide financial support for the project is asked to call 647-3209 or send donations to: Park Renovation Fund, P.O. Box 359, Westminster, S.C. 29689.

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Westminster parents start fund to fix run-down park

By Anna Simon
Clemson Bureau

WESTMINSTER — Tara White never takes her sons to play in the city park near her home because it's so run-down she doesn't feel it's safe.

"It's right next to the library. It would be a wonderful place if it was fixed up," she said. "You could sit and read while you watch your children play."

Westminster Baptist Church used to take children from its kindergarten to the park but stopped about five

WANT TO HELP?

Donations can be sent to Park Renovation Fund, P.O. Box 398, Westminster, SC 29683. For more information, call Jackie Foster at 646-2152 or Carla Johns at 647-9154.

years ago when teachers had to pick up broken glass where the children were playing.

The playground equipment — two broken tire swings and splintery wooden slides — are at least 20 years old and dangerous, said Jackie Foster, who is part of a group of resi-

dents working to renovate the old Westminster Park.

"We are excited about the possibility of having a nice, clean and safe place to take our children to play, to have a picnic or just to enjoy the outdoors," Foster said.

The group needs \$76,254 for the first phase of the project. That would pay for fencing and gates, playground equipment, tables, trash containers, grills, a picnic shelter, a new sign and bathroom repairs.

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The new playground would include equipment for toddlers and some for older children. Picnic tables, benches and a grill would be in a landscaped, wooded area.

The picnic shelter would be perfect for children's birthday parties and community functions, Foster said. Rental fees for the shelter could help pay maintenance costs.

There would be asphalt pathways through the park for handicapped access.

A \$54,325 second phase would transform an empty lot fronting East North Avenue by adding a large picnic shelter, more tables and grills and benches that could be used by church and civic groups and for family reunions and other large get-togethers. This picnic structure also could be reserved by rental.

The park is behind the Westminster Depot and could be tied into

the annual Apple Festival, allowing areas for face-painting in the park, story-telling and restroom facilities for visitors.

A third phase with a walking trail is planned for land belonging to Howard Bollicager Jr. The project would be named after his grandmother or his mother, Foster said. The group hopes to find a grant to pay for development of the walking trail.

"Park renovation is truly a trend

that is going on in our area," Foster said. "Anderson has just spent \$200,000 on a playground for their children. Clemson is undergoing fund raising for additions to Mettles Park."

In addition, Spartanburg County has a \$100 million plan for several parks, an Esley project involves more than 100 acres at Pope Field Park, and Sumner recently purchased a lot on Rain Cat Alley earmarked for use as a park, she said.

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Mothers stand up for city park

By David Williams
Oconee Press Staff

WESTMINSTER — When one of the city's fiscal junkies in a state of neglect, two local mothers turned to the public in an effort to renovate William P. Anderson Park.

The mothers, Caris Johnson and Janke Foster, are proposing a two-phase renovation of the park that will cost more than \$500,000.

"The women are doing the project," Mayor Vera Duke said. "They set up the bank account and they're recruiting the volunteers."

While there is no money in the city budget for the park, the Westminster Commission of Public Works cleared several trees and City Administrator Bill Strickland has written a grant study for more money. Council member Danny Durston also is helping with finding volunteers and raising money. "We really want to have some of

HOW TO HELP

To support the renovation of William P. Anderson Park, send checks to:
Park Renovation Fund
P.O. Box 399
Westminster, S.C.
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the renovations done by the City of September," Ms. Foster said. She is hoping to use the park during the state's Apple Festival held every year in Westminster.

"It's a great place for children's activities, face painting, story telling and it also has restroom facilities for Apple Festival visitors," she said.

Phase one calls for a row picnic structure, repairs to the restrooms, tables, benches, trash containers and grills. The total cost of phase one is estimated at \$75,251.

Phase two, for \$34,325, will include another picnic structure and paving parking areas. As the project develops, permits are being for a third phase to have a walking trail on adjacent land now owned by Howard Belknap Jr.

The park is behind Westminster's historic depot, which was built in 1916 and is on the National Registry

of Historic Places.

Volunteer efforts so far have included Dr. Larry Nix, who along with several members of the Oconee County Society Student Chapter of the Society of American Foresters helped clear the trees cut by the Public Works workers. The Forester went to area residents who are less fortunate and donated it for fuel," Mayor Duke said.

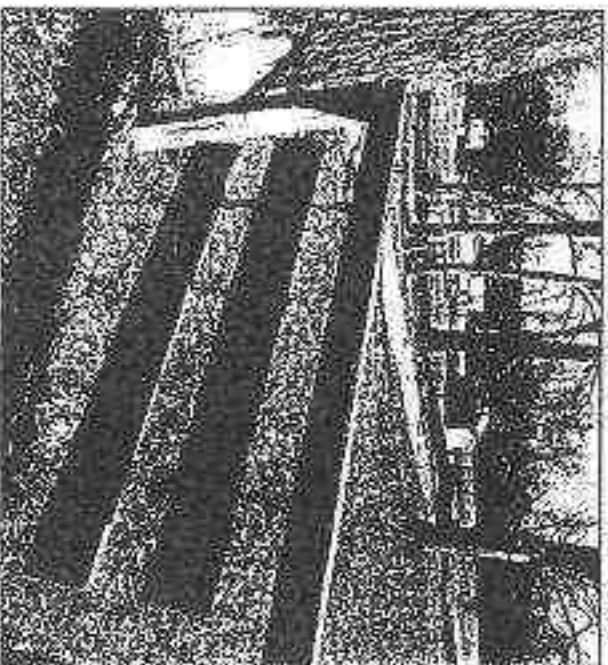
Craig Slueter, who recently started a stump removal business, contributed his time and equipment.

"He saw what we were doing and cut out all the stumps for us," Ms. Foster said.

"What we are concentrating on now is raising some funds," Ms. Johnson said.

A letter campaign is under way and the search for more volunteers continues.

"We've asked people if they have dirt and flowers and other things they can donate and maybe generate some interest in the park's future and the future of Westminster," Ms. Foster said.



They show it

The renovation of William P. Anderson Park in Westminster is being done by two area mothers who realize the potential of the neglected park. Johnson and Janke Foster are hoping the park will be the site of the Apple Festival this fall.

HONEYBEE HERALD

Orchard Park Elementary PTA News

April 7, 2000

Anderson Park Renovations

At our March meeting, we were honored to have Carla Smith Johns and Jackie Lee Foster as our special guest. They head up the committee to renovate Anderson Park in Westminster. They showed us a diagram of the proposed renovations for the park and have put a sign in front of our school which shows what the park will look like upon completion. There are plans for new playgrounds as well as picnic shelters. There will also be picnic tables, benches, and grills in the park and the park will be fenced in. This is a very worthwhile project as it will provide a nice, clean and safe place to take our children to play, to have a picnic, or to just enjoy the outdoors. Plans are for the renovations to be done in three phases.

Cost for this type of endeavor are high as you might imagine. They are applying for grants but will need matching money for most of the grants if they get them. If you are interested in helping and/or making a donation, please let them know. Mail may be sent to: Park Renovation Fund, P.O. Box 339, Westminster SC 29693.

Girl Scouts beautify W.P. Anderson Park



Photos by Jackie Foster

Members of Girl Scout Troops 671 and 204 met Saturday, April 29 to continue renovations on W.P. Anderson Park in Westminster. The Girl Scouts provided all the plants and the labor as part of their Earth Day project. Members included Casey Long, Betsy Reid, Amber Leroy, Liz Barber, Leigh Crittendon, Mandy Dubose and Jamie Long.

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Parents hope for a better park

By JAMIE HUGGINS

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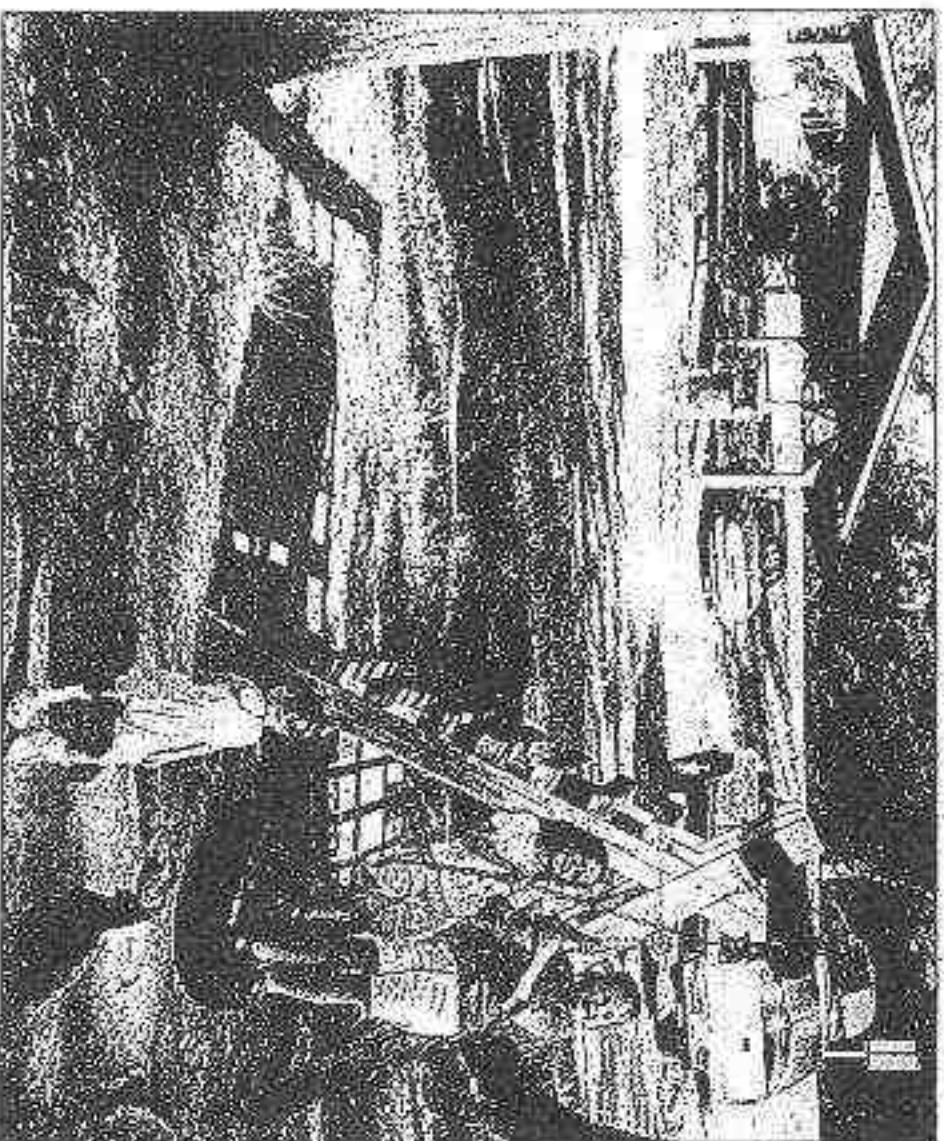
WESTMINSTER — Parents and citizens have united in an effort to renovate the existing land that is designated as W.F. Anderson Park in Westminster. Located on E. Main Avenue, parallel to Main Street, the 2.7 acres is in poor condition. The picnic shelter has three picnic tables which have been placed in recent years. Moreover, the playground equipment seems up-to-date.

The park, originally built in 1977 after the land was decided to the city of Westminster, contains just a few amusements for children. There is a cedar block building that was allocated for restrooms that now has padlocks on the door, leaving no facility for park users. The playground equipment to make an

old splintered wood and the mess underneath the equipment is worn down to tree stumps.

Local citizens, with and without children, are endeavoring to make this once again a family oriented park, that can be used for work-outs, family gatherings, church or social events and will be a relaxing, safe environment for the community. In recent years, the park has been frequented by men and their bottles, hidden in brown paper sacks.

This Saturday, the park will be full of do-gooders who are waiting for your help. Park Renovation board members Carla Smith Johns and Jackie Lee Foster are organizing the event to raise funds needed to



Megan Foster, 2, with her cousin Lacie Finley, 5, and sister Erica Foster, 6 (pink shirt) play amid litter of cigarette butts and tree roots at Westminster park.

Please see PARK, p. 3A.

FROM THE FRONT

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PARK

match the approved grant. The other for adult's use. The fence would enable the park to be locked after hours in order to deter vandalism, and also for protection of children playing at the park, keeping them on the grounds and out of the roads and after landscaping the area and removing trees and planting.

The PARK total would equal \$6,800 which would be used to get the bathroom in working order, sealing around the park and gravel for a parking area, which currently does not exist. Soon, they hope to install swings for the children. There is minimal equipment now, just two slides and a stand-up

swing.

The board has questioned how new gazebos for picnicking that would include power, lighting, and a grill, are oriented for children's birthday parties and the

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Park Pal!
Making a dream
come true!

Thanks to the supporters of the William P. Anderson Park Renovation Project

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Blue Ridge Sunday School Class - Westminster Baptist
Mr. & Mrs. Jack Grubbs
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Mr and Mrs Theo Harris
Chris and Melissa Hamby
Jill Stephens

Help make this project a success!

Send donations to: Park Renovation Project, P.O. Box
370, Westminster, SC 29693

MAY 20th COMMUNITY COOKOUT

The Park Renovation Project, a nonprofit group, invites the entire community to our "Community Cookout" at the Half Street Ball Field in Westminster, SC. Concessions will be served all day during the 2000 Spring Classic Softball Tournament and hamburgers cooked on the grill during dinner & supper

hours. All proceeds will help rebuild W.P. Anderson Park in Westminster.

2000 Spring Classic



Hall Street Ball Fields, Westminster, South Carolina

Saturday, May 20, 2000

First 10 teams - Hit your own 47 core ball - ASA rules - 3 homerun limit per inning

C, D, & E Class Teams - Entry Fee \$125.00

PRIZES: First Place: DEMARINI Double Wall Bat to the team, trophy & T-shirts!

Second & Third Places: Trophy - Call Danny Duncan at 864-647-2721 after 5:00

Good food will be available - hotdogs & hamburgers on the grill!

All proceeds go to The Park Renovation Project, a non-profit organization, to rebuild W.P. Andersen Park in

Westminster, South Carolina.

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2000 SPRING CLASSIC SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The Park Renovation Project, a non-profit group, invites all C,D & E class Softball teams to participate in the 2000 Spring Classic at the Hall Street Ball Field in Westminster, SC. The first ten teams accepted. Hit your own 47 core ball, ASA rules, 3 homerun limit per inning. Great prizes!
1st Place: DEMARINI double wall bat, trophy & T-shirts.

2nd & 3rd place: trophy.
Entry fee \$125.00
GOOD FOOD will be available - hot dogs & hamburgers on the grill!
Call Ronnie Johns at 864-647-0154 or Danny Duncan after ballbat 864-647-2721. to enter your team. All proceeds will help rebuild the W.P. Andersen Park in Westminster, SC.

Park Pals raise funds

At the recent men's softball tournament, the Park Pals, those folks who are working to bring Anderson Park back to life, worked in the concession stand.

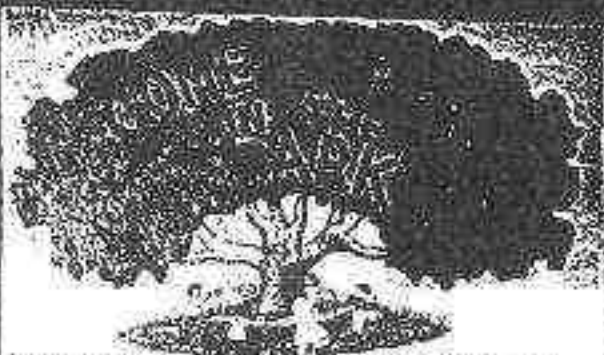
We don't know how many hot dogs and hamburgers it takes to raise \$1,874 - but they did a master job! Great going, and let's do it again, soon.

WLD 5-31-00



Please join us for a
Community Cook-Out
to support the efforts of the
Park Renovation Project
to rebuild W.P. Anderson Park in Westminster
Saturday, May 20, 2000
Hall Street Ball Field
Westminster, South Carolina 

Concessions served all day during softball tournament
Cooking on grill during dinner & supper hours



With your support, the Community of Westminster can rebuild W. P. Anderson Park for our children.

* Mail all donations to: City of Westminster,
Park Renovation Fund
P.O. Box 399
Westminster, S.C. 29693

For information
call: 647-3200

Wal-Mart makes donation to park

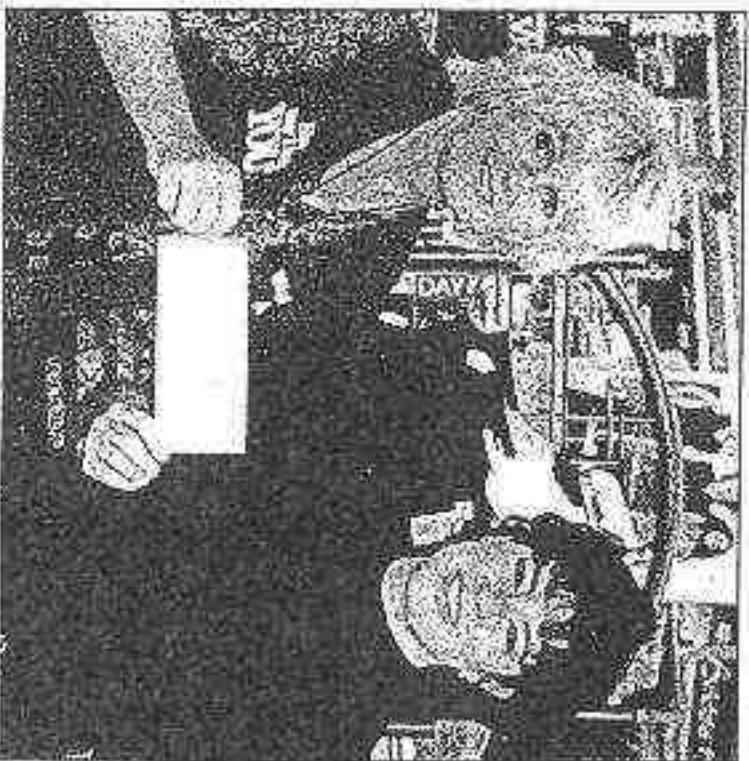
Pictured at right is Wal-Mart Community Coordinator Debbie Ward presenting a \$3,000 check to Carla Smith Johns for the W. P. Anderson Park Renovation Project in Westminster.

Johns received the Clean Air/Clean Water Grant money from Wal-Mart, a program designed to enhance the quality of life in the communities in which they operate.

This money will be used for a completed project, a requirement for receiving the grant, and hopefully complete the fence around the park. So far, the renovation project has received \$19,800, and \$2,000 in pledges.

The first phase of the project renovation will begin in a few months. There will be a table at the South Carolina Apple Festival for donations as well as purchase of refreshments. Also, there are raffle tickets being sold for a drawing on Saturday.

If you would like to contribute your donation or for more information, write to: Park Renovation Project, P.O. Box 399, Westminster, SC, 29693, or contact Johns at 864-647-0154.



Westminster bank supports park



Photo by Jenae Higgins • Processed by School of Science

Several members of the Park Renovation Project Advisory Board were present to receive a \$5,000 check from Westminster's First Citizens Bank. (From Left) Board members Sammy Dickson, Jackie Lee Foster, Rolann Lee, First Citizens Bank Branch Manager Paul Bussey, Westminster Police Chief Bill Strachan, board member Carla Smith Johns, Westminster City Councilman Danny Duncan and Westminster Mayor Vera Duke. The money will be used to purchase new and replacement playground equipment at W.P. Anderson Park in Westminster. For more information about the Park Renovation Project, contact Westminster City Hall at 647-3200.

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Community Support

November 16, 1999

To Whom It May Concern,

We are very pleased with the discussion of the much needed renovations for the Westminster City Park. Several years ago, Westminster Baptist Kindergarten enjoyed using the park for many field trips and picnics. But for the past five years, we have been unable to use the park due to it's run down condition. On our last visit we had to pick up several pieces of broken glass. We are very excited at the prospect of visiting the park under it's new renovations.

Sincerely,

Westminster Baptist
Church Kindergarten

Mrs. Lynn Hix
Mrs. Donna Jackson
Mrs. Pam Rogers
Mrs. Tara White
Mrs. Melinda Fowler

To Whom It May Concern, 10/20/99

I urge you to give your total support to any efforts that are in progress to enhance Anderson Park on North Avenue in Westminster.

I live only one block from the site, I've used the park on many different dates with my children, grand children, Scouts, and school students. I'll be happy to help any effort. Thank you, Kathleen

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am following with great interest the renovation of Westminster Park lead by the efforts of Carla Smith Johns, Jackie Foster and a host of other unnamed supporters. Having been reared in Westminster, I am always pleased to discover that the works of grassroots efforts can still make a difference. The park as envisioned by this group will be a tremendous asset to Westminster. As the city continues to grow, the value of maintaining and promoting public spaces can not be underestimated. The "quality of life" scorecard does count in promoting any city.

I support this effort 100% and look forward to hearing more good things concerning Westminster.

Regards,

A. Scott Ward
Vice President
Asia Pacific Debt Markets
Merrill Lynch

[Ward, Scott (Hong Kong)]

To whom it may concern,

My name is Lindsay Chastain and I've worried about the condition of the city park. We need to fence in the park, get better playground equipment, and ban smoking. There also needs to be bathroom facilities. Please fix up the park!

Signed,
Lindsay
Chastain

Westminster Elementary School
Children First

208 Hamilton Drive
Westminster, South Carolina 29685
(864) 647-3056
Fax (864) 647-3060

Mike McLeod, Principal

11-19-99

Dear Carla Johns,

I am very encouraged about the Anderson Park renovation project. After reviewing the proposed plans, it is evident that much time and effort has gone into the research and design of this initiative. I applaud the efforts of the planning team.

I am saddened at the deterioration of the existing park. It is unsafe and poses a great health concern to my students and to the community. Any effort to clean up this potential bright spot for Westminster would be a positive vote for our town.

Know you have my support in this effort. This is a worthwhile cause and I would like for you to consider reviewing and adopting the proposed Anderson Park renovation plan.

Sincerely,



N. Michael McLeod



J. GRESHAM BARRETT
MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
District No. 1 - Boone County

410-D BLATT BUILDING
COLUMBIA, SC 29211
BUS. (803) 724-3627
email: jgbarrett@hcr.state.sc.us

125 STONEWALL DRIVE
WESTMINSTER, SC 29693
BUS. (864) 243-2597
RES. (864) 647-7534

Carls!

You're doing a
great job! Pls -

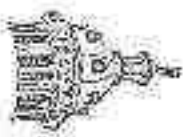
Pls keep it up!

Wear of you!

Barrett

J. Gresham Barrett

Carols:



Seal of the House of Representatives
Thaddeus M. J.
DeCoursey

Go Girl! Keep

it up! Tell Jackie

the same!

[Handwritten signature]



May 24, 2000

Dear Friends,

How great to be with you for some
recent event. I wanted to extend to all
of you my thanks for all you have done.

The Park Renovation Project is certain
to give you time and energy. All the citizens
of the Westchester Community are proud of
our Park. Keep up the great work and my best
for most future success! Warmly,
Thomas

THOMAS C. ALEXANDER
State Senator
Queens - Flushing Counties

Park Renovation Committee
City Hall
PO BOX 399
Westminster SC 29693

Dear Committee Members,

I'd like to introduce myself to you. My name is Mariann Merritt Holder. I am a recent new comer to Westminster. My husband and I have moved to Walthalla Street, very near Anderson Park. I am the mother of a 3 year old son and a 4 month old son. We have already enjoyed playing at the park. However, there is an uncommon thread to my story.

Several years ago I was involved in a car accident and now I am confined to a wheelchair. This, of course, adds obstacles to my lifestyle. As mentioned, I have already taken my boys to Anderson Park, even before the nice new fence was installed. Unfortunately, I have been limited in maneuvering across the grounds because of the rugged terrain. It was mentioned that there may be a possibility of paved parking and pathways winding throughout the playground. Certainly, I am definitely a supporter of this idea! In fact, in my case, it would be the only way my family and I could utilize all of the facilities, just as other moms. I would love my children to have the benefit of the total use of the Park. If paved areas were provided, my children and I would have no limits!

I would be more than happy to help in any way I can, especially in the area of accessibility.

Thank you for all of your hard work on the Park. I am sure many people will enjoy the upgraded facility for years to come.

Sincerely,



Mariann Merritt Holder
210 Walthalla Street
Westminster SC 29693
864-647-4942

cc: Jackie Foster
Carla Johns



United Way
OF OCONEE COUNTY

February 1, 2001

Dear Oconee County Council Members:

Oconee A.I.D. Association, a United Way funded agency, provides assistance to Oconee County residents, which includes heating and utility. With the monumental increases in heating costs incurred by most county residences, this agency has been besieged with pleas for help. Many of the clients that seek assistance through Oconee A.I.D. have either young children, elderly or sick family members in the home. On January 26, 2001 the Oconee County United Way issued additional emergency funding in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Oconee A.I.D. for this purpose.

The United Way, on behalf of the clients of Oconee A.I.D., implores the Council to consider desperately needed relief funds for this ominous situation. We have been in contact with most heating providers to solicit their assistance concerning disconnect extensions and offering equalized payment plans. All have stated that they are consciously offering assistance where they can.

Thank you in advance for your concern and support in this county-wide matter.

Sincerely,

David McCutcheon, CPO

Oconee A.I.D. Association
PO Box 811
101 E.S. Broad Street
Walhalla, S.C. 29691
February 1, 2001

Dear Mr. Hall,

In response to our conversation earlier this week I have compiled some figures for your information concerning assistance we have given so far this year compared to last year.

December 2000 = 9,728.90

December 1999 = 8,220.27

1,508.63 Increase over the last year.

January 2001 = 18,870.20

January 2000 = 11,870.95

6,999.25 Increase over the last year


As you can see we have had a significant increase over last year. We could have done more but we have tried to not see those folks that we helped since October 2000. Electric bills and gas bills are always much higher at this time of year but we have been seeing tremendous increases especially in Fort Hill Natural Gas bills.

We had received several donations at the first of January that were not budgeted and those helped us to to help as much as we did.

Oconee A.I.D. is fully funded by the United Way of Oconee County. Our budgeted allocation did not allow for the increased requests for heating assistance.

I appreciate your interest in Oconee A.I.D. Association. If you need more information or have questions please feel free to call me.

Respectfully Yours,


Joyce Morgan
Director

OCONEE COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Opal Green
FROM: Melissa L. Brown
DATE: February 1, 2001
SUBJECT: Agreement between SCDOT, SCDOC & Oconee County
(Pine River Plastics Project)

On October 3rd, Council authorized the acceptance of an award for \$200,000.00 from the SC Advisory Coordinating Council for Economic Development (Department of Commerce). This grant money was designated to widen Highway 11 and to provide turn-off lanes in the area near the new Pine River Plastics facility.

Mr. Jim Alexander, Economic Development Director, just brought me a new agreement related to this project. This agreement was designed to prevent us from having to advance the money to the SC Department of Transportation as stated in the Intergovernmental Agreement approved by Council on 12/05/00. The agreement will be between the SC Department of Transportation, the SC Department of Commerce and Oconee County and will allow DOC to transfer the money directly to DOT rather than it passing through our offices. We have worked diligently with DOC staff for almost two months to resolve this issue.

Mr. Norton has reviewed this agreement. He did not report any concerns and felt it would be appropriate to present to Council.

Please place this agreement on the 02/06/01 Oconee County Council Meeting Agenda for Council's consideration.

MELISSA L. BROWN, BUDGET & GRANTS SUPERVISOR

JAN 01 2001



Jim Hodges
Governor

SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Charles S. Way, Jr.
Secretary

January 30, 2001

Mr. Jim Alexander, Director
Oconee County Economic Development Commission
Post Office Box 188
Walhalla, SC 29691

COPY

Dear Jim,

Enclosed is the agreement between SCDOT, SCDOC and Oconee County that will accomplish the transfer the \$2 million in Coordinating Council funds for the road improvements to serve Pine River Plastics. \$ 2,000,000 ==

Please have the county administrator sign/date all three originals at the yellow tabs. Then return all three to:

Douglas B. MacFarlane, Director
Contract Audit Services
South Carolina Department of Transportation
Post Office Box 191
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-0191

If you have any questions, please give me a call. Also, it would be helpful if you would let me know when you have sent the agreement back to SCDOT so that I can followup.

Thanks for your help and I look forward to this project being successfully concluded.

Sincerely,

Olney England
Senior Program Director
Global Business Finance

Enclosure



TEAM SOUTH CAROLINA
We perform. You win.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN
SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND
SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AND
OCONEE COUNTY

COPY

THIS THREE PARTY AGREEMENT, is made this _____ day of _____
2001, by and between the South Carolina Department of Transportation, hereinafter
referred to as "SCDOT"; the South Carolina Department of Commerce, hereinafter
referred to as "SCDOC", and Oconee County, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY".

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the SCDOT, COUNTY, City of Seneca, and Oconee County
Transportation Committee entered into an Agreement on December 4, 2000 (identified as
SCDOT number "PRE-07-01", included herein and made a part hereof by reference) for
the widening of SC Route 11 to provide turn lanes at Cascade Corporation and Pine
Plastics near US Route 123 in Oconee County (PROJECT); and

WHEREAS, the SCDOT is an agency of the State of South Carolina with the
authority to enter into contracts necessary for the proper discharge of its functions and
duties; and

WHEREAS, the SCDOC is an agency of the State of South Carolina with the
authority to enter into contracts necessary for the proper discharge of its functions and
duties; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY is a body politic with all the rights and privileges of
such including the power to contract as a necessary and incidental power to carry out the
COUNTY's functions covered under this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the SCDOC has agreed to provide a grant of \$200,000.00 to the COUNTY representative of the \$200,000.00 obligation of the COUNTY to the SCDOT (SCDOT number PRE-07-01, Section IV.) for PROJECT reimbursement, and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto agree that the \$200,000.00 obligation of the COUNTY to the SCDOT would best serve the PROJECT and the State of South Carolina if the funds were provided directly to the SCDOT by SCDOC.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises to be faithfully performed by the parties hereto as set forth herein, the SCDOT, SCDOC and COUNTY do hereby agree as follows:

a. The SCDOT will invoice the SCDOC and the SCDOC will transfer by IDT the amount of \$200,000.00 to the SCDOT for funding the COUNTY's share of the SC Route 11 PROJECT. The SCDOT agrees to return any unused SCDOC PROJECT Funding to the SCDOC at PROJECT completion.

b. The SCDOT will commit and use the SCDOC's funding for and only for the SC Route 11 PROJECT.

c. By execution of this Agreement and transfer of the \$200,000.00 by SCDOC to SCDOT the COUNTY's financial obligation stated in PRE-07-01 will be satisfied and further, the SCDOC's obligation to the COUNTY will be satisfied.

SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:

The SCDOT, SCDOC and COUNTY each binds itself, its successors and assigns to the other party with respect to these requirements, and also agrees that no party shall assign, subcontract, or transfer its interest in the Agreement without the written consent of the other.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed
on the date indicated above.

Signed, sealed and executed for the SCDOT:

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION

WITNESS:

By: _____

State Highway Engineer

RECOMMENDED:

Title: _____

Signed, sealed and executed for the SCDOC:

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE

WITNESS:

By: D. E. BLF

(Signature)

Title: CEO

Fed. ID No: _____

Signed, sealed and executed for the COUNTY:

OCONEE COUNTY

WITNESS:

By: _____

(Signature)

Title: _____

Fed. ID No: 57-6000394

equipment, and is in all respects, fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid. By submission of a signed bid, I certify, under penalties of perjury, that the below company complies with section 12-54-1020(B) of the SC Code of Laws 1976, as amended, relating to payment of any applicable taxes. I further certify that this bid is good for a period of sixty (60) days, unless otherwise stated.

NEW U.S. TIRE RECYCLING CORP

Company name as registered with
the IRS

6322 POPLAR TENT ROAD

Correspondence Address

CONCORD, NC 28027

City, State, Zip

JANUARY 29, 2001

Date


Authorized Signature

SCOTT FOWLER

Printed Name

GENERAL MANAGER

Title

704-784-1210

Telephone Number

704-784-4716

Fax Number

6322 POPLAR TENT ROAD

Remittance Address

CONCORD, NC 28027

City, State, Zip

704-784-1210

Telephone Number

76-2599853

Federal Tax ID Number

800-328-8473

Toll-Free Number if available

SC Sales and Use Tax Number

BID SUPPLEMENTAL FORM
OCONEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT OFFICE
415 S. PINE STREET, ROOM 107
WALHALLA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29691

DATE: JANUARY 29, 2001 BID NO 00-21

The U.S. TIRE RECYCLING takes the following exceptions:
 (Bidder)

Due to volatility in diesel prices, U.S. Tire has developed the schedule below to be followed with respect to fuel surcharges and reductions. The average fuel cost for the month is taken from the Energy Information Administration's Diesel Fuel and Gasoline Hotline. This information may be accessed by calling (202) 586-6936, or at their internet website at www.eia.doe.gov.

<u>Price Per Gallon</u>	<u>Price Adjustment Per Mile</u>	<u>Calculated Adjustment Based on 326 Miles Round Trip</u>
\$0.75 - \$0.99	-\$0.05	-\$16.40 per load
\$1.00 - \$1.24	No Adjustment	No Adjustment
\$1.25 - \$1.49	+\$0.05	+\$16.40 per load
\$1.50 - \$1.74	+\$0.10	+\$32.80 per load
\$1.75 - \$2.00	+\$0.15	+\$49.20 per load

SIGNATURE 

BID NO. 00-21

(Use this number on envelopes and all related correspondence.)

BID FORM
OCCONEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT OFFICE
415 S. PINE ST., ROOM 107, WALHALLA, SC 29691

The Ridge Recyclers, Inc.

submits herewith our Bid in response to bid request number shown above, and in compliance with the description(s) and/or specification(s) attached hereto for disposal of scrap tires at the Solid Waste Complex.

PRICE PER LOAD

\$ 5 900.00

SURCHARGE, IF ANY

\$17 per 10 fuel price increase over 1.65/gal.

STIPULATIONS: If 10% of load is rimmed tires or excessively dirty, a surcharge of \$50.00 per occurrence will be applied. Ridge Recyclers requests OTR tires be held until a full load can be loaded and then will be billed @ \$275.00/ton transportation included.

The above stated bid is based on all applicable specifications, drawings, etc. associated with this bid and the following additional Addenda issued subsequent to the basic specifications and/or drawings:

NOTE TO BIDDER: List all Addenda with dates of any issued. If no additional Addenda is issued, write the word "NONE".

Addendum Number

Date

none

none

Bid shall include delivery to location stated on Bid Notice. Show any exception, deviation, extra computation, or information on Bid Supplemental Form attached hereto.

Completion/Delivery Date ARO: 1 year renewal for 4 years.

The undersigned, having fully familiarized himself with the information contained within this entire solicitation and applicable documents, submits this bid and other applicable information to the County, which I verify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies or

equipment, and is in all respects, fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid. By submission of a signed bid, I certify, under penalties of perjury, that the below company complies with section 12-54-1020(B) of the SC Code of Laws 1976, as amended, relating to payment of any applicable taxes. I further certify that this bid is good for a period of sixty (60) days, unless otherwise stated.

Ridge Recyclers, Inc.
Company name as registered with
the IRS

P.O. Box 568
Correspondence Address

Johnston, SC 29824
City, State, Zip

1/22/01
Date

Larry D. Lange
Authorized Signature

LARRY D. LANGE
Printed Name

General Manager
Title

803-275-5111
Telephone Number

803-275-5119
Fax Number

P.O. Box 568
Remittance Address

Johnston, SC 29824
City, State, Zip

803-275-5111
Telephone Number

62-1735925
Federal Tax ID Number

800-675-3890
Toll-Free Number if available

019-038293
SC Sales and Use Tax Number

BID FORM
OCONEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT OFFICE
415 S. PINE ST., ROOM 107, WALHALLA, SC 29691

The GreenMan Technologies
submits herewith our Bid in response to bid request number shown above, and in compliance with the description(s) and/or specification(s) attached hereto for disposal of scrap tires at the Solid Waste Complex

PRICE PER LOAD \$1145.00 per 45 foot trailer

SURCHARGE, IF ANY \$ _____

STIPULATIONS: _____

The above stated bid is based on all applicable specifications, drawings, etc. associated with this bid and the following additional Addenda issued subsequent to the basic specifications and/or drawings:

NOTE TO BIDDER: List all Addenda with dates of any issued. If no additional Addenda is issued, write the word "NONE".

Addendum Number

Date

Bid shall include delivery to location stated on Bid Notice. Show any exception, deviation, extra computation, or information on Bid Supplemental Form attached hereto.

Completion/Delivery Date ARO: 5 days from notice of bid award

The undersigned, having fully familiarized himself with the information contained within this entire solicitation and applicable documents, submits this bid and other applicable information to the County, which I verify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies or

BID SUPPLEMENTAL FORM

OCONEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT OFFICE

415 S. PINE STREET, ROOM 107

WALHALLA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29691

DATE January 29, 2001

BID NO. 00-21

The GreenMan Technologies takes the following exceptions:
(Bidder)

SIGNATURE: David H. Jones



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January 31, 2001

Property @ Pine Street

Mrs. Ann Hughes
Oconee County Supervisor
415 South Pine Street
Walhalla, SC 29691

Agenda Item

RE: Quarry Dust - Walhalla Sr. High School

Dear Ann,

I have had a request from Ed Taylor, baseball coach at Walhalla High school, for **quarry dust** to be put on the warning track for the baseball field at Walhalla High School.

Please consider this request and advise Mr. Taylor at **638-4582** or **151 Razorback Lane**, Walhalla, SC 29691, of your decision.

Thanks very much for your assistance to us!

Sincerely,

Buddy G. Herring

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Superintendent of Education

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January 19, 2001

MS KAY OLBON
OCONEE COUNTY
415 S PINE ST
WALHALLA SC 29691

RE: Invoice Num 7370200025 1 11
Invoice Amt: 850.03

Member: SSN:251-68-4452 Name: LEE DAVIS JR
Type of Service: MILITARY Service

Please forward the employer contribution payment of \$850.03 to the South Carolina Retirement Systems within fifteen working days from the date of this letter.

If you should have any questions, please contact the Accounting Department at (803) 737-6905.